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EVALUATION OF SUMMER AREA PROGRAM, USSR



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1. Yes, because it provides background material which will enable the analyst to orient his particular specialty in the overall economic-political study of the area. Many specialists lack historical, political, and general economic background, and even those who have this background need a refresher to regain a proper perspective. This program could be more effective if the general lectures were supplemented with detailed analyses of recent developments, preferably by experts with recent experience in their field.

2. Yes. Program filled in gaps in my knowledge of history, etc.

3. a.b.c. All OK.

d. Greater participation by students, in the manner of seminar reports, would have been desirable.

4. Limited required reading, student reports, examinations, and even a course certificate would be conducive to greater concentration on the subject matter and provide greater incentive for individual work. However, if these conditions were imposed, the course should not be compulsory.

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